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**FLORIDA TRIP MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** RYAN JACKSON  
**FROM:** OPE  
**SUBJECT:** TALLAHASSEE AND ORLANDO FLORIDA  
**DATE:** JANUARY 2, 2002

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**Attire:** Business

**Participants:**  
Administrator Pruitt

Note: Trey Glenn will be in attendance as well.

**Agenda**

***Friday, January 2***

8:00am                      **Roundtable at May Nursery Conference Room** (178 May Nursery Road Havana, Florida) with Florida Farm Bureau, Florida Electric Cooperatives, Florida Association of Manufacturers and Florida Chamber of Commerce.

Background:              **May Nursery**

The agricultural roots of the May family go back to the 19th century in North Florida....back more than 150 years in fact, when the senior May's great-grandfather first settled here in the 1820's. For four generations, the May family worked the land on successful tobacco farms, and now for two generations, the family has applied its extensive experience to the nursery business.

In 1971, Fount H. May, Sr. and Don F. May, Sr., completely converted the family's Havana, Florida tobacco farm to a nursery that concentrated on Azaleas, illexes and junipers. They foresaw that U.S cigar wrapper tobacco crops would yield to international growers and with a systematic study of successful nurseries - made the change. What they began has been nurtured and increased by their sons, Fount, Jr. Don Jr., Fred and Brad, who have assumed operation of the nursery. Now, third generations, Ashley, Richard, John Bradford & Joel May are continuing the tradition.

Attendees:                      (20 Attendees total) May Family - Richard and JB May (sons of Fount May), Lawson Taylor (manager of the farm) Adam Basford (Florida Farm Bureau), John Hoblick (FFB), Kevin Morgan (FFB), Mike Bjorklund (Florida Electric Cooperatives Association), Allison Carter (FECA)

Tracey Bensley (Talquin Electric Coop), Lisa Johnson (Seminole Electric)  
Gary Smith (Powersouth), Drew Love (Florida Citrus) Michael Sparks  
(Florida Citrus), Eileen Stuart (Florida Manufacturing), Frank Walker  
(Florida Chamber) David Hart (Florida Chamber) Tom Feeney  
(Associated Industries of Florida) David Mica (Florida Petroleum)

8:30am

**Remarks with Florida Famers and Co-Op Members at May Nursery  
Loading Dock (178 May Nursery Road Havana, Florida)**

Mike Bjorkland will be introducing you at the Fireside Chat.



Bio:

Mike Bjorklund currently serves as Executive Vice President and General Manager for the Florida Electric Cooperatives Association (FECA) and as the Chairman for the Florida Chamber Political Institute (FCPI). A native Floridian, born and raised in the Panhandle, Bjorklund first ventured into the political arena as staff for the Florida House of Representatives in 2001. Shortly thereafter, he began taking leave during election years to work on political campaigns around Florida involving Legislative and Cabinet races.

Attendees:

(125 people total) 50 people from Florida Co-ops, 75 people from Florida Farm Bureau.

10:58am

Flight from Tallahassee to Orlando. Layover in ATL. DL 3517 / DL 897

2:25pm

Arrive in Orlando.

5:00pm

Meeting with Governor Scott at Disney Yacht Club and Beach Resort  
(1700 Epcot Resorts Boulevard Lake Buena Vista, Florida 32830)

Bio:

Governor Rick Scott



Rick Scott is the 45th Governor of the great State of Florida. Rick campaigned on creating jobs and turning Florida's economy around. Rick is the founder of two health care providers, Columbia Hospital Corporation and Solantic Corporation, which builds and operates urgent care facilities throughout Florida.

6:45pm

Speaking Panel with Secretary Acosta and Judge Katsas (US Court of Appeals for DC Circuit) for Federalist Society Florida Chapters Conference at at Disney Yacht Club and Beach Resort (1700 Epcot Resorts Boulevard Lake Buena Vista, Florida 32830)

Bio:

Secretary Alex Acosta



President Donald J. Trump nominated R. Alexander Acosta to be the 27th United States Secretary of Labor. He was sworn in on April 28, 2017.

Secretary Acosta is the son of Cuban refugees, a native of Miami, and first-generation college graduate. He earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Harvard University. Following law school, he worked as a law clerk for Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr., at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He then worked at the law firm of Kirkland & Ellis and went on to teach at George Mason University's Antonin Scalia School of Law. Secretary Acosta has served in three presidentially appointed,

Senate-confirmed positions. In 2002, he was appointed to serve as a member of the National Labor Relations Board, where he participated in or authored more than 125 opinions. In 2003, he was appointed Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, and from 2005 to 2009 he served as the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Florida. Most recently, Secretary Acosta served as the dean of the FIU College of Law.

7:50pm	Depart for Airport
9:10pm	Flight from MCO to DCA. AA 1816
11:25pm	Arrive at DCA.